ISSUED: June 6, 2013

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1648

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON,

RULING

Staff Investigation into Eligible Telecommunication Carriers' Requirements.

DISPOSITION:

MOTION FOR WAIVER OF OAR 860-001-0350(7) GRANTED; MOTION TO SHORTEN RESPONSE TO AMEND ORDER NO. 06-292 GRANTED; DEADLINE TO FILE OBJECTION TO STIPULATION SHORTENED TO FIVE DAYS

On June 3, 2013, Commission Staff made two filings. First, on behalf of other active parties in this docket, it filed a stipulation regarding the annual reporting requirements in 2013 for recertification of telecommunications carriers eligible to receive federal Universal Service Fund support. Second, it filed a motion to amend Order No. 06-292 to effectuate the stipulation.

With its motion to amend the order, Staff requested expedited consideration of these matters and that the filing deadline for any responses to the motion be shortened to five days, and any reply be shortened to three days. Staff also requested that the Commission waive the requirement set forth in OAR 860-001-0350(7)(a) that a stipulation be accompanied by supporting testimony or explanatory brief. Staff states that it has conferred with all parties to the docket, and all parties support the requests. Staff's request for the shortening of filing deadlines and waiver of supporting information are granted.

In order to allow expedited consideration of these matters, the Commission also, on its own motion, shortens the filing deadline for an objection to the stipulation. OAR 860-001-0350(8) provides that a party may file written objections to a stipulation within 15 days of its submission. Because the due date for the submission of the annual recertification reports addressed in the stipulation is July 15, 2013, the Commission shortens the deadline for any objection to the stipulation to seven days.

Dated this 6th day of June 2013, at Salem, Oregon.

Allan Arlow

Administrative Law Judge